

SC Arts Commission  
Board of Commissioners Meeting  
Wednesday, August 15, 2001  
1800 Gervais Street, Columbia

Members present	Chairman Pat Wilson, Patrick Van Huss, Carrie Brown, David Stinson, Pam Harpootlian, Noble Cooper, Carolyn Govan
Members absent	Virginia Self, Elizabeth Adams
Staff present	Susie Surkamer, Ken May, Rusty Sox
Guests present	Michael Moore and Rory MacPherson, Wallace/Reader's Digest Funds
Call to order	Chairman Wilson called the meeting to order at 9:45 a.m.
Motion to approve Minutes	Mr. Van Huss moved to approve the minutes of the June 27 and August 1 meetings as presented. Ms. Brown seconded. The motion was approved.
Presentation	<p>Michael Moore and Rory MacPherson presented an overview of the Wallace/Reader's Digest Funds' cultural programs. They discussed research they commissioned by the Rand Corporation, and the START Initiative in which South Carolina is a participant.</p> <p>Dr. Michael Seamon and Betty Plumb arrived at 11:00.</p>
Presentation	Dr. Michael Seaman, Associate Professor of Educational Research at the University of South Carolina, presented highlights from his research into the impact of the Arts in Basic Curriculum initiative in South Carolina.
Presentation	<p>Betty Plumb of the S.C. Arts Alliance presented highlights of <i>Trends and Benchmarks in S.C. Arts Organization Funding</i>.</p> <p>Bob Becker of the Strom Thurmond Institute joined the Commissioners for lunch.</p>
Values discussion	Mr. Becker led the board in a discussion of organizational values at the S.C. Arts Commission.
FY03 Budget Request	<p>Ms. Surkamer discussed plans for the FY03 budget request.</p> <p>Mr. Cooper departed at 2:45.</p>

Exec. Director

FY02 Performance

Evaluation Planning

The board discussed the planning stage for the Executive Director's FY02 Performance Evaluation.

Other Business

Budget cuts – Ms. Surkamer alerted members to the possibility of additional cuts to the agency's budget. Commissioners discussed some ways of potentially dealing with such cuts.

Conflict of Interest policy – Ms. Surkamer is working with staff to develop a conflict of interest policy to apply to SCAC employees.

ABC Steering Committee – State Representative Rita Allison has agreed to become the new chair of the ABC Steering Committee, replacing First Lady Rachel Hodges, who will become honorary chair.

Adjourn

There being no other business, the meeting adjourned at 3:15.